

**Nesmith Library Board of Trustees**

**Date: September 11, 2023  
Meeting Minutes FINAL**



**Present:**

Trustees: Theresa Abbamondi (Chair), Karen Moltenbrey (Assistant Chair), Catherine Girata (Recording Secretary), Jennifer Lopez (Assistant Treasurer), Beth Talbott (Member at Large) Tara Picciano (Member at Large)

**Absent:** Jim Murphy (Treasurer)

**Director:** Sylvie Brikiatis

**Assistant Director:** Nancy Vigezzi

**Members of the Public:** Mark Branoff

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by T. Abbamondi at 6:32 pm.

**Mission statement:** Read by T. Abbamondi

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made by B. Talbott to approve the minutes of the Public Session of August 14, 2023. K. Moltenbrey gave a second. The vote passed 5–0. T. Picciano abstained from voting, as she was absent last month.

A motion was made by K. Moltenbrey to approve the Non-Public Session of August 14, 2023. B. Talbott gave a second. The vote passed 5-0. T. Picciano abstained from voting as she was absent last month.

**Gifts:**

- There were no gifts.

**Correspondence:**

- There was no correspondence.

**FLOW:**

- Flow provided a “Year in Review” with an updated roster of their activities. Flow cited that their successful year was in part due to an outstanding, dynamic board that is looking forward to an even better 2023-2024.
- The Board of Trustees have committed that each member of the Board will attend a Flow Meeting. (10/3-T. Abbomondi, 11/6-K. Moltenbrey, 12/4-J. Lopez, 1/2-T. Picciano, 2/5 C. Girata)

**Director:**

- Nesmith Library will be closed Saturday, September 16. Elaine Rittenhouse, a beloved Nesmith Librarian, passed away. Her wake is September 16 at Carrier Funeral Home. This will provide opportunity for the Nesmith Family to offer condolences to her family.
- The railings have been installed.
- Three additional computers for staff have been installed.
- Aspen has been rolled out to the public. There has been positive feedback.
- The budget is expected to be submitted October 23, 2023. Representation from the Board of Trustees is expected during the presentation. J. Murphy, the Treasurer, should attend.

A motion was made by T. Picciano to approve the proposed budget as presented by the Director w/the understanding that certain line items may change. J. Lopez made a second. The vote passed 6-0.

**Treasurer:**

- The library has spent 63.93% of the appropriation. The library is in compliance with RSA 32:7.

**Trustee Committee Reports:**

- There were no reports

**New Business:**

- HB 321 has been signed by the Governor. Natch Greyes will provide content in an upcoming article regarding the Sealed Meeting Minute Procedure Change.
- A desirable candidate for the Children's Position has been found. A motion was made by T. Picciano to extend the offer for a Grade 10, Step 1, for the Director to hire the candidate. C. Girata gave a second. The vote passed 6-0.
- A librarian is reducing her hours. A position will be posted once the specific amount of hours is known.
- The Assistant Director, Nancy Vigezzi will be retiring Nov 29.
- The library experienced a First Amendment Audit. They performed well. They were complimented on their friendliness and helpfulness.

**Old Business:**

- Named funds account investment will be updated next month.
- Capital Improvement Plan was discussed.
- 2024 Budget will be submitted.

**Public Comments:**

- M. Branoff shared that the NHLTA will be hosting a Trustee Orientation Workshop from 10:00-2:00 in Concord. He also shared that in the Fall NHLTA Newsletter, Natch Greyes will discuss the legal implications for HB321.

**Announcements:**

- The next meeting will be held October 16, 2023 at 6:30.

A motion to adjourn was given by T. Abbamondi. A second was given by K. Moltenbrey. The vote passed 6-0. Adjourned 7:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Girata,  
Meeting Minutes